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COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

AT RICHMOND, AUGUST 28, 2000

JOINT APPLICATION OF

VERIZON VIRGINIA INC.

f/k/a Bell Atlantic-Virginia, Inc.

and

CASE NO. PUC000204

VERIZON SOUTH INC.

f/k/a GTE South Incorporated

To expand local calling between
various exchanges

ORDER PRESCRIBING NOTICE AND AUTHORIZATION
TO IMPLEMENT EXPANDED LOCAL CALLING IN PART

On July 21, 2000, Verizon Virginia Inc. ("Verizon Virginia")¹ and Verizon South Inc. ("Verizon South")² (hereafter collectively referred to as "the Joint Applicants") filed a Joint Application to expand their local calling areas to include contiguous exchanges both within and between their respective service territories. The Joint Application was filed in satisfaction of a condition of this Commission's approval of Joint Applicants' merger, ordered November 29, 1999, in Case No.

¹ The Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity previously issued to Bell Atlantic-Virginia, Inc. were cancelled and reissued to Verizon Virginia Inc., pursuant to the Commission's Order of August 4, 2000, in Case No. PUC000217.

² The Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity previously issued to GTE South Incorporated were cancelled and reissued to Verizon South Inc., pursuant to the Commission's Order of August 4, 2000, in Case No. PUC000218.

PUC990100. Specifically, Joint Applicants were directed to file a plan to expand local calling areas in contiguous exchanges both within and between their respective service territories within thirty (30) days following the merger's consummation. Verizon Virginia and Verizon South request that the expanded local calling plan ("ELCP") and routes, as outlined in Attachments 1, 2, A, and B of the Joint Application, be accepted and that approval be given both to Verizon Virginia's implementation scheduled for the fourth quarter, 2000, as outlined in Attachment 3, and to Verizon South's implementation scheduled for the first quarter, 2001, as outlined in Attachment C. These scheduled implementation dates are for the first of several proposed phases or waves of expanded local calling implementation. The Joint Applicants explain that a phased-in implementation procedure is necessary because of the volumes of changes and billing constraints.

NOW THE COMMISSION, upon consideration of the Joint Application and applicable law, is of the opinion that this matter should be docketed. The Commission finds that Verizon Virginia should implement the first phase of its proposed ELCP for all routes as set out in Attachment 3 of the Joint Application,³ and that Verizon South should implement the first

³ The routes are between these exchanges, with the billing change noted in parenthesis after each grouping of routes: Buchanan-Montvale (removal of extended area calling charges); Bedford-Big Island, Bedford-Lynchburg, Stone

phase of its proposed ELCP for all routes identified in Attachment C of the Joint Application, except for routes originating from the Stafford exchange.⁴ The Commission finds that customers served in the Stafford exchange which would be billed in a higher rate group upon implementation of the ELCP should first receive notice and an opportunity to comment or request a hearing on whether to implement the expanded local calling.

Mountain-Lynchburg, Providence Forge-Toano, Providence Forge-Williamsburg, Greenwood-Lovingston, Charles City-Toano, Charles City-Williamsburg, West Point-Toano, West Point-Williamsburg (removal of extended local service monthly adder rates); Buchanan-Bedford (change route from intraLATA toll to local charges).

⁴ These routes are set out by originating exchange, followed by the terminating exchanges: Arcola terminating to Dale City, Engleside, Independent Hill, Nokesville, Occoquan, Stafford, and Triangle; Dale City terminating to Alexandria/Arlington, Arcola, Braddock, Dulles, Dulles Metro, Engleside, Fairfax/Vienna, Falls Church/McLean, Haymarket, Herndon, Lorton Metro, and Stafford; Dulles terminating to Dale City, Independent Hill, Lorton, Manassas, Nokesville, Occoquan, Stafford, and Triangle; Dulles Metro terminating to Dale City, Haymarket, Independent Hill, Manassas, Nokesville, Occoquan, Stafford, and Triangle; Haymarket terminating to Alexandria/Arlington, Braddock, Dale City, Dulles Metro, Engleside, Fairfax/Vienna, Falls Church/McLean, Herndon, Independent Hill, Lorton, Lorton Metro, Occoquan, Stafford, and Triangle; Independent Hill terminating to Alexandria/Arlington, Arcola, Braddock, Dulles, Dulles Metro, Engleside, Fairfax/Vienna, Falls Church/McLean, Haymarket, Herndon, Lorton Metro, and Stafford; Lorton terminating to Dulles, Haymarket, and Triangle; Lorton Metro terminating to Dale City, Haymarket, Independent Hill, Manassas, Nokesville, Occoquan, Stafford, and Triangle; Manassas terminating to Alexandria/Arlington, Braddock, Dulles, Dulles Metro, Engleside, Fairfax/Vienna, Falls Church/McLean, Herndon, Lorton Metro, and Stafford; Nokesville terminating to Alexandria/Arlington, Arcola, Braddock, Dulles, Dulles Metro, Engleside, Fairfax/Vienna, Falls Church/McLean, Herndon, Lorton Metro, and Stafford; Occoquan terminating to Alexandria/Arlington, Arcola, Braddock, Dulles, Dulles Metro, Fairfax/Vienna, Falls Church/McLean, Haymarket, Herndon, Lorton Metro, and Stafford; Triangle terminating to Alexandria/Arlington, Arcola, Braddock, Dulles, Dulles Metro, Engleside, Fairfax/Vienna, Falls Church/McLean, Haymarket, Herndon, Lorton, and Lorton Metro.

Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED THAT:

(1) This matter is docketed and assigned Case No. PUC000204.

(2) Verizon Virginia Inc. should implement the first phase of the ELCP for all routes set out in Attachment 3 of the Joint Application.

(3) Verizon South Inc. should implement the first phase of the ELCP for all routes set out in Attachment A of the Joint Application except for routes originating from the Stafford exchange.

(4) A copy of this Order and the Joint Application shall be made available for public inspection at the Commission's Document Control Center located on the first floor of the Tyler Building, 1300 East Main Street, Richmond, Virginia 23219, from 8:15 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

(5) On or before October 20, 2000, Verizon South shall directly mail a notice to each customer served in the Stafford exchange separately addressing the expanded local calling for their exchange and detailing the basic monthly rate increase proposed. However, the form of this notice should first be reviewed by the Division of Communications. At a minimum, the notice should address the specific expanded local calling for the customer's exchange and contain the following:

NOTICE OF APPLICATION BY VERIZON SOUTH INC.
(f/k/a GTE SOUTH INCORPORATED) TO IMPLEMENT
EXPANDED LOCAL CALLING BETWEEN STAFFORD
EXCHANGE AND CERTAIN ADJACENT EXCHANGES

On July 21, 2000, Verizon South Inc. ("Verizon South") filed an application jointly with Verizon Virginia Inc. with the State Corporation Commission ("Commission") to implement additional expanded local calling routes, as ordered by the Commission in approving the merger of GTE South Incorporated with Bell Atlantic-Virginia, Inc. (now Verizon South Inc. and Verizon Virginia Inc.).

Implementation of the expanded local calling to the adjacent exchanges will cause local monthly rates to increase, but this increase may be offset by the elimination of current long distance charges between the affected exchanges.

Accompanying this notice is an explanation of how your local exchange rates may increase, a notice showing your exchange's current and proposed new calling area, and your exchange's current rates and proposed new rates.

Any customer wishing to comment on the proposed implementation of the expanded local calling routes or to request a hearing on the application may do so by filing such comments or requests for hearing in writing with the Clerk of the Commission, Joel H. Peck, c/o Document Control Center, P.O. Box 2118, Richmond, Virginia 23218, on or before November 17, 2000. Any such filing should refer to Case No. PUC000204. Any corporation shall be represented by counsel in accordance with Rule 4:8 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, 5 VAC 5-10-200, and shall file an original and fifteen (15) copies of any such comments or requests for hearing.

Individuals may file single copies of comments or requests for hearing.

VERIZON SOUTH INC.

(6) On or before November 17, 2000, Verizon South's customers who may be affected by the expanded local calling in the Stafford exchange may file written comments or requests for hearing about the proposed additional expanded local calling routes with the Clerk of the Commission. Any corporation shall be represented by counsel according to Rule 4:8 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure and shall file an original and fifteen (15) copies of any comments or requests for hearing on or before the deadline. Individuals may file single copies of comments and requests for hearing. All comments or requests for hearing shall be filed with Joel H. Peck, Clerk, State Corporation Commission, c/o Document Control Center, P.O. Box 2118, Richmond, Virginia 23218 and shall refer to Case No. PUC000204.

(7) On or before November 3, 2000, Verizon South shall furnish proof of the notice given as prescribed herein.